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TAGS SHUM, AR  
SUBJECT ABDUCTED NUNS

1. BUENOS AIRES HERALD REPORTED THAT MOTHER  
SUPERIOR MARIE JOSEPHE, HEAD OF THE ROMAN  
CATHOLIC INSTITUTE OF OVERSEAS MISSIONS HAD  
SAID AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HER APRIL 19 THAT  
SHE FINDS NO EVIDENCE TO CONVINCE HER THAT  
SISTER ALICIA AND SISTER LEONIE--ABDUCTED  
HERE DURING DECEMBER--ARE DEAD. MARIE JOSEPHE  
ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT DURING HER VISIT HERE  
SHE WAS UNABLE TO ESTABLISH WHAT MIGHT HAVE  
BEEN THE NUNS FATE.

2. THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAS TOLD OUR AMBASSADOR  
THAT DURING HER VISIT HERE OF SEVERAL WEEKS  
MARIE JOSEPHE HAS LEFT NO STONE UNTURNED IN  
TRACKING DOWN THIS MYSTERY.  
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